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C O N F I D E N T I A L LIMA 1374

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: US-PERU CIVAIR PROBLEM - AMBASSADOR TALKS TO
FOREIGN MINISTER

REF: LIMA 1316

1. AMBASSADOR HAD OPPORTUNITY SPEAK TO BOTH FOREIGN MINISTER DE LA FLOR AND ACTING DIRECTOR GENERAL MARCHAND AFTER-NOON FEBRUARY 17. AMBASSADOR TOLD FOREIGN MINISTER THAT AIRLINE-TO-AIRLINE TALKS HAD BROKEN OFF AND THAT IN HIS OPINION, SITUATION APPEARED TO BE SERIOUS. ALTHOUGH DE LA FLOR SEEMED TO BE AWARE OF STALEMATE, HE ALSO SEEMED SOMEWHAT SURPRISED THAT PROGRESS HAD APPARENTLY NOT BEEN POSSIBLE. HE NOTED THAT HE HAD JUST RECEIVED MEMORANDUM FROM AEROPERU PRESIDENT SOTO OUTLINING WHAT AT FIRST GLANCE SEEMED TO DE LA FLOR TO BE ATTRACTIVE PACKAGE, HOWEVER, FROM WHAT HE TOLD AMBASSADOR OF CONTENTS, IT MAY BE AT VARIANCE FROM WHAT BRANIFF OFFICIALS HAVE TOLD US (SEE REFTEL). AMBASSADOR ASKED IF HE MIGHT HAVE COPY, AND GAVE DE LA FLOR COPY OF TALKING POINTS HE HAD LEFT WITH GILARDI FEBRUARY 14 (LIMA 1316). FOREIGN MINISTER SAID HE HIMSELF HAD NOT HAD TIME TO READ PAPER AND INTENDED TO GIVE IT TO MARCHAND SO THAT HE MIGHT EXAMINE WHOLE SITUATION IN DETAIL. AMBASSADOR SUBSEQUENTLY HAD OPPORTUNITY TO MENTION IMPASSE

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IN CARRIER TALKS TO MARCHAND, WHO WAS SURPRISED AND SEEMED

TO SHARE AMBASSADOR'S ESTIMATE OF SERIOUSNESS OF SITUATION.

2. PERUVIAN AMBASSADOR-DESIGNATE ARCE TELEPHONED AMBASSADOR
MORNING FEBRUARY 18, AND AMBASSADOR RAISED SUBJECT WITH
HIM. (THEY HAD DISCUSSED SITUATION IN SOME DETAIL AT PREVIOUS
MEETING.) ARCE SAID HE WOULD LOOK INTO PROBLEM AND VOLUNTEERED
THAT HE WOULD BE ATTENDING MEETING MORNING OF FEBRUARY 19
IN FOREIGN MINISTRY TO DISCUSS MATTER.
IN MEANTIME, EMBASSY HAS SENT MARCHAND COPY OF BRANIFF
RESUME OF CARRIER NEGOTIATIONS (REFTEL).
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